

Chapter 12 Summary

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When True Son awakes the next morning, he cannot remember what has happened the day before. All he can recall is lying near death in his white father's house, and he thinks for a moment that he is dead. He knows for certain that he is not dead when he sees Half Arrow lying asleep next to him, and all at once he remembers what they had been through together the previous day. He thinks happily that he can never go back to Paxton township because they will put him in prison or hang him if Uncle Wilse dies. True Son wakes Half Arrow, and the boys start their long journey back to Tuscarawas. They pass by Corn Blade's mountain, and they cut through streams and rivers on the first day, hiding at times when they hear white men crossing in the woods. True Son becomes more and more happy as they travel deeper into the Indian forest. For days they travel until they reach a trading post on the Ohio river. Half Arrow proposes that they steal the trader's boats in order to make the rest of their trip to Tuscarawas easier. They decide that since the trader is half-Indian, half-white, they will only take one of his boats. At daylight they see the outlines of a white settlement in the distance, and as they come closer they realize that this is Fort Pitt. True Son tells Half Arrow that he will never forget the sight of Fort Pitt this morning.